

2005 White House
Conference on Aging

Post-Event Summary Report

Name of Event: Nassau County White House Conference Independent Aging Event

Date of Event: June 15, 2005

Location of Event: Hofstra University, Uniondale, New York
(Include city and state)

Number of Persons attending: 300

Sponsoring Organization(s): Nassau County Department of Senior Citizen Affairs (DSCA)

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Priority issue #1: (describe specific issue)

Major issue faced by seniors of Indian origin who immigrate to the United States is the adaptation to a different way of life. The National Indo-American Association for Senior Citizens, Inc. proposes to develop programs that meet their special needs and assists in a process whereby they can gradually adapt themselves to the American way of life. Impact of these programs would make the seniors feel independent and able to adapt more easily.

Barriers: ((list any barriers that may exist related to this issue)

1. The number of seniors facing this problem is unknown.
2. Background of individuals is unknown.

Proposed Solution(s): (list suggested solutions to the challenges described above)

1. Identify the number of seniors facing problems and areas in which they live.
2. Identified problems will be addressed by development of programs and activities which will help seniors and their families.
3. Develop a system to accurately identify the major differences between the American way of life and traditional Indian values so that seniors are aware of them before they immigrate to the United States.
4. Establish an advisory group of the National Indo-American Association for Senior Citizens that will cooperate with community and government agencies in planning a successful project.

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